

Member of Executive Council

Canonical Mandate: Title I, Canon 4

Description & Responsibilities: The Executive Council is responsible for the oversight of the execution of the programs, policies, and budget adopted by the General Convention. It oversees the work of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society (DFMS) as its Board of Directors. This includes serving as fiduciaries of all DFMS funds and other property and offering top-level strategic direction for the church's mission initiatives and the DFMS's work between General Conventions.

As the governing board of the DFMS, the Executive Council works in partnership with the Presiding Bishop, who serves as both Chair of the Executive Council and Chief Executive Officer of the DFMS. In this role, the Presiding Bishop leads the staff and the policy, strategy, and operational work of DFMS, while the Executive Council provides governance, accountability, and oversight of that work.

Term: 6 Years

Number to be elected: 6 lay person, 2 clergy, and 2 bishops

Time commitment: 2 in-person and 2 virtual meetings per year, work in standing committees and task forces, and time reviewing materials prior to Council meetings

Needed competencies & charisms: Ideal candidates would have significant prior board or governance experience; skills in the realms of finance; legal and compliance affairs; strategic planning and executive oversight are particularly desired. Ideal candidates would also have charisms for prayerful discernment, conflict navigation, strategic judgment, and commitment to ongoing learning.